## Richmond Dispatch.

SE THE CIRCULATION OF THE DISPATCH NLAPSER THAN THE COMBINED CHRCULA-TION OF ALL THE OTHER DAILY NEWS PAPERS OF THE CITY.

RTDNESDAY ..... DECEMBER 8, 1875

WEATHER REPORT.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 7:35 A. M. DECEMBER 7, 1875, AT HUNTINGTON, HINTON, AND WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS. Ther. Wind. Weather fall. Ft. In.

Huntington 49 8. E. Clondy. 1.10 11 6 W. Sulphur 50 N. Cloudy. 9.10 RICHMOND, December 8, 1875.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was rainy and disagreeable. At midnight, however, the rain ceased and the wind veered to the northwest, and there was a prospect of clearing weather.

Bauge of Thermometer at the Dispatch office December 7, 1875. December 7, 1874. 6 A. M. 42 3 P. M. 9 A. M. 43 6 P. M. Midnight. Midnight.

THE WEATHER To-DAY .- The probabilities are that it will be cooler, cloudy, and rainy.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

PROPOSED REORGANIZATION OF THE PENI-TENTIARY .- In the Senate yesterday, at the instance of representative men of the mechanics of this city, General Johnson introduced a bill providing for the reorganization of the pesitentiary, the main features of which are: The ab disbment of the Storekeeper; the making the office of clerk elective by the Legislature, enlarging his duties, increasing his salary from \$800 to \$1,200 per annum, and requiring of him bonds in the sum of \$15,000 for the faithful performance of the duties of his office; probibiting the instruction of convicts in the mechanic arts, except for the manufacture of cloth and shoes for the use of persons confined in the institution, their employment in extending unfinished canals and opening new routes for internal navigation, and the improvement of country roads; the reduction of the number of wardens from seves to five; the the institution; and when the prisoners are not engaged as above, to be kept in solitary confinement.

It is claimed by the friends of the bill that its adoption will result in benefiting the State in a measure which no other plan could accomplish, and that by its operation the public treasury will not be subject to the strain upon it that has heretofore existed. It is even asserted that the advantage of this system can be demonstrated by figures to average fifty thousand dollars per year.

In this, connection it may be observed with other cities, are said to be maturing a plan for the abolishment of convict labor in all the prisons of the United States, and are receiving encouragement from high quarters.

House of Coerection-A Much-Needed INSTITUTION .- A bill was introduced in the House of Delegates yesterday morning looking to the establishment of a State house of correction for the punishment and reformation of juvenile offenders. The bill reads thus: Be it enacted by the General Assembly, That the sum of \$10,000 be appropriated for the erection near the city of Richmond, for the reception of such criminals, upon condition that the city of Richmond shall purchase and hold for the use of said house of correction fifty acres of land near the said city, and shall in addition appropriate two thousand five hundred dollars to be used in the erection of said house of correction. This bill is approved by Mayor Keiley, Judge Guigon, and Justice White, offering as it does a practical and cheap mode of doing a great deal of good, and preventing hundreds of boys and girls from becoming hardened criminals. The bill was referred to the Committee on Prisons and Asylums.

THE ESCAPED PRISONERS PUNISHED. - Denis Mahoney was sent to jail some time ago for a misdemeanor. He succeeded in making his escape, but was arrested in Alexandria or Washington and returned to this city. Yeslerday he was brought before Judge Guigon, found guilty of escaping from jail, fined one dollar, and sent to jail for thirty days in addition to his former sentence,

John Thomas, who escaped from the chain-gang some days ago, while at work digging out a foundation at the city jail, and who was so speedily arrested, was on yesterday tried in the Hustings Court and sentenced to six months' additional imprisonment and service in the chain-gang.

REVIVAL AT GRACE-STREET BAPTIST CHURCH In spite of the unpropitious weather the a congregation that listened with tearful interest to a telling sermon by the pastor (Dr. Hatcher) from the text, "I will pay now my vows unto the Lord in the presence of all His people." There were a number of inquirers, several

professed to find "peace in believing," and Dr. Hatcher baptized eleven candidates. Last night there was, despite the pouring rain, a good congregation and a solemn at-

tention to the sermon. Among the inquirers was a young man from Richmond College, and special prayer was made that he might be the first fruits of a general revival among the students. At the close of the service Dr. Hatcher

baptized five more candidates. Among those baptized have been two members of the city police force.

The meetings go on every night this week regardless of weather.

THE REVIVAL AT THE SEVENTH-STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH .- Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the interest a the meetings at the Seventh-Street Christian courch continues unabated. Four your men professed conversion last night. The ordinance of baptism will be administered to night, and the meetings will continue du- not the slightest taint of suspicion attached ring the week.

A BAD BITE. - Between 12 and 1 o'clock yesterday morning, whilst a ball was in progress in the room over Conrad's cigar-store, on Main street, a fight occurred between William Knuckles, a buckster, and a man named Conrad Buckner. After sundry blows had passed, Knuckles caught the index finger of Buckner's left hand in his mouth and brought his teeth down upon it with terrible force. Knuckles was arrested and car- the books should be kept. Now, in view of ried to the First station-house, and was be- all these things, he could see no reason why fore the Police Justice yesterday morning. Buckner was not present, and on his account the case was continued to Thursday. Dr. Carter testified that the bite would probably

10 ball for his appearance. Acquitten .-- Pleasant Finch was befor the Police Court yesterday morning charged with obtaining money from Frank-lin Davis & Co. on talse pretences. Mr. Finch had been a drummer fof Davis & Co., and in closing up accounts between the two parties a dispute arose which ended in the arrest of Finch. It way not proved that the accused had committed any criminal offence, and he was discharged. Captain George D. Wise appeared for Davis & Co., and Mr. John S. Wise for Mr. Finch.

Mr. Sibert said he had no charges to bring against any officers in the capitol. His resolution had been introduced with a view of ascertaining how far the clerical force could be contracted. He had been informed by the Governor that under the present assessment the receipts of the Government would fall about five hundred thousand dollars short of the expenses. He did not intend to reflect upon any man.

Mr. Carter had known the Second Auditor

## TSPAIN

RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8, 1875-DOUBLE SHEET. VOL. XLVIII.

THE PARTY CAUCUS. FAILURE OF EFFORT TO POSTPONE

NOMINATIONS. A WARM DISCUSSION.

LEGISLATORS TALK ECONOMY.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFF. CERS SELECTED.

LIVELY CONTEST FOR PENITENTS. ARY STOREMEEPER.

MR. TALIAFERRO VICTORIOUS.

A meeting of the Conservative members of the General Assembly was held last night-

in the hall of the House of Delegates-Senator Quesemberry presiding.

Mr. Wall presented a resolution excluding all persons from the floor of the house except ex-Conservative members of the Gen-

eral Assembly, officers of the two houses,

and members of the press. Agreed to. Mr. Brooks presented the following: "Resolved, That no one be admitted as a member of this conference who was elected to the General Assembly in opposition to member of this conference who was elected to the General Assembly in opposition to any regular nominee of the Conservative party at the last election in any county in laday, withdrew Mr. Holladay's name, and which there is in operation a regular Con- the nomination of General Rogers was made servative organization." Laid on the table.

AN EFFORT TO POSTPONE NOMINATIONS. Mr. Sibert presented the following :

Resolved, That this conference postpone the nomination of candidates for the different State offices until the 17th instant. Mr. Sibert addressed the conference at some length urging the importance of re-

trenchments and reforms and of examining the reports of the State officers before any nominations are made. He thought it due to the State that investigations should be made, rigid and careful. Begin at the top and go through every office of the capitol, including the hall of the House and the

Mr. Critz did not believe in postponing any longer the nominations. He thought that it was useless to talk about " reform ' in that way. He deemed it was unfair to cast a suspicion upon these officers. He could not understand the movement, which seemed to him to be a side wipe.

Mr. Armistead Carter referred to the several investigations that had been had in the last few years, and thought that every member ought to be prepared to go into the establishment of a farm for the raising of nominations now. Nothing was reported vegetable products and stock for the use of from those investigations calculated to cast the slightest suspicion upon

> THE INTEGRITY OF ANY OF THE OFFICERS. Mr. Williams, of Richmond, moved as a substitute that the caucus go into nomina-

Mr. Smith (ex-Governor) said there had been public corruption ; that one of the offi- kindly allusion to Mr. Lovenstein in placing cers whom he would have as soon suspected in nomination Mr. Nathan C. Taliaferro, of as any friend around him had been sent to his county. He made a strong speech for the penitentiary. Now, all these investiga- Mr. Tallaferro. The nomination was tetions referred to had reference only to that conded by Dr. Smith, of Amherst, and Sen- administrator vs. Alsop et als. Further ardefalcation, and the remarks made by the ator John W. Daniel, of Lynchburg. Major gued by St. George Fitzhugh, Esq., for the gates. In this connection it may be observed gentleman from Rockingham were not per- Daniel's speech was one of the best, if not appellees, and William Green, Esq., for the bat the mechanics of Richmond, cooperating the best of the evening. tinent. why with diminished territory the State should have such an increased force of officers. He thought it eminently proper that there should be investigations. He did not think the resolution was at all calculated to reflect on the basement affair.

Mr. McMullan said that he had been on one of the committees of investigation for the basement offices, but the investigation had but one direction, and was not thorough. Mr. Sheffey said that'if any member would

charges against any officer he would vote to postpone; but unless such a statement was contemplated he could see no reason why the nominations should be postponed. It had been said that the expenses of the Government were greatly increased. He thought that many members present remembered that in past years many State officers performed duties gratultously. Now it was different. He was

UNWILLING TO STAY THE PROCEEDINGS of this body unless charges were preferred

against some officer. It would be idle to delay unless such was the case. Mr. Armstrong stated that there had been a degree of

NEGLIGENCE THAT WAS UNPARALLELED.

There has been a degree of looseness on the part of some of the officers below that absolutely required investigation; negligence which has driven one of our best citizens into the walls of an asylum, and another into the penitentiary. He then referred to the resolution which he had offered in the House yesterday. Mr. Critz: Will the gentleman say who

he has referred to ? Mr. Armstrong said he would do so, but in his own way. He then referred to the everlasting rumors which are reaching the ears of the people of this Commonwealth, of the negligence in the basement offices, especially in the Second Auditor's office." He thought this body ought to inquire by what authori-ty certain registered bonds had been converted into coupon bonds. It is time that these matters were being looked into. If there is nothing wrong in the basement, that ballot would be taken between Taliawhy is there this indecent and hot haste to go into an election for Second Auditor? He of Richmond, in a stirring speech, renomi-denied that there was any man who thought nated Captain Frank W. Chamberlayne, of more of character than he; but he did not Henrico, and he received about twenty want any whitewashing. The offices in Vigginia were unlike those in Washington: there are no offices for stealage here; and be felt sure that no man's character would be injured by postponing the matter and having an investigation.

GENERAL TERRY

alluded to the investigation last year when he was chairman of the committee. He spoke of Colonel Mayo as his friend and schoolmate, and his associate during the war; that when the investigation was going on Colonel Mayo said to him, "If there is anything wrong here, it is not due to Auditor Taylor or General Rogers. In the report that was made these gentlemen were exonerated, but there was a sentence in the report which alluded to negligence in the basement offices. General Bagwell said the matter had been sifted as far as it was possible, and although there had been a defaication, yet there was to Auditor Taylor or General Rogers. General Bagwell then read the testimony of Colonel Mayo taken before the committe when the two Auditors were

PULLY EXONERATED

in every way. He saw nothing even which looked like negligence. Mr. Stegar, the ex-

there should be any delay. Mr. Clarke, of Surry, said that there was a laudable disposition to curtail expenses. out, and worried. He believed there was a movement on foot to cut down the pay of the members to five Crump voted for Lovenstein from first to ger at the last joint. Accused was admitted dollars per day, and the pay of the officers in last. Judge Crump voted for Chamberlayne Dinwiddie. a like ratio. He wanted to know whether it as long as he had any showing, then he voted was right to let these officers know what their for Lovenstein.

Mr. Sibert said he had no charges to bring undeviating regularity and unfailing promp-

he was sure that the gentleman from Rock- a year,

strong), or anybony else.

Mr. Armstrong said that he had said there had been negligence on the part of the Second Auditor and others which almost amounted to criminality.

Mr. Carter, continuing his remarks, said

DARED TO IMPUTE DISHONESTY TO HIM.

ingham would regret his course.

Mr. Armstrong: I do not intend to allow Mr. Carter or anybody else to comment unfairly on my remarks. . . On motion of Mr. Bagwell the resolution was tabled and go had you not tend between

70 SPEECHES LIMITED. Mr. Penn presented a resolution limiting nominating speeches to three minutes and prohibiting only three speeches for any one candidate. Agreed to.

HOMINATIONS MADE. Mr. Coghill nominated Mr. William F Caylor for Auditor of Public Accounts. On motion of Mr. Breoks Mr. Taylor was nominated by acclimation. Mr. Mathew nominated General Asa Rogers for Second Auditor.

Mr. Brooks nominated Mr. A. Q. Holladay for Second Auditor. Senator Eubank seconded the nomination

manimons OTHER OFFICERS.

R. M. T. Hunter, Treasurer, S. H. Boykin, Register of the Land Office; James Mc-Donald, Secretary of the Commonwealth, and R. F. Walker, Superintendent of Public Printing, were nominated without opposition, and by acclamation.

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PENITENTIARY. Senstor Smith, of Nelson, nominated for receiection Colonel George French Strother, the present efficient superintendent of the penitentiary. The nomination of Colonel Strother was seconded by Mr. Gilman. Mr. H. L. D. Lewis, of Clark, nominated

John R. Nunn, of Clarke. Dr. T. J. Wooldridge, of Hanover, nominated Mr. H. C. Jones, of Hanover.
When about one third of the names on the House roll had been called Mr. Nunn, who occupied a position in the gailery, by permission withdrew his name.

Dr. Wooldridge withurew Mr. Jones's On motion of Mr. H. L. D. Lewis, the nomination of Colonel Strother was made unanimous. STOREKEEPER OF THE PENITENTIARY.

General E. R. Bagwell, of Account nominated in a first-rate speech Mr. William Lovenstein, of Richmond. The nomination was seconded in speeches by Messrs. Gilman of Richmond, and Lovell of Warren. Mr. J. Armistead Carter nominated Mr.

Richard Noland. Mr. R. A. Coghill, of Amherst, made a

Mr. Joel Flood, of Appomattox, nominated M. Charles T. Plunkett, of Lynchburg. Senator Elliott seconded the nomination. Senator John E. Penn, of Patrick, nominated Thomas J. Spindle, of Montgomery. Seconded by Mr. Ronald, of Montgomery. Mr. Page, of Prince George, nominated Mr. Frank W. Chamberlayne, of Henrico. Seconded by Senator Hurt, of Halifax.

Letters from A. Y. Stokes & Co. and Putney & Watts, endorsing Mr. Taliferro, were rise in his place and say he meant to prefer sent to the clerk by Senator Eubank and read to the conference.

The first ballot resulted : Lovenstein, 46; Spindle, 83; Taliaferro, Chamberlayne, 14; Nowland, 16; Piunkett, 9.

No nomination. Mr. Plunkett was drop-The second ballot resulted:

Lovenstein, 46; Spindle, 88; Taliaferro, 25 Chamberlayne, 16; Nowland, 12. No nomination. Mr. Nowland was drop-The third ballot resulted :

Lovenstein, 48; Spindle, 40; Taliaferro, 32;

No nomination. Mr. Chamberlayne was

On the fourth ballot Mr. Spindle led Mr. Lovenstein a little. Mr. Taliaferro was far behind both. Mr. Taliaferro's friends thinking his chances gone commenced changing from Taliaferro to Spindle, and it soon became evident that Mr. Lovenstein would be defeated by the Taliaferro votes given to Spindle. In this exigency Mr. Lovenstein's friends commenced changing from Lovenstein to Taliaferro, and they soon rallied some of Taliaferro's friends who had gone over to Spindle in the panie. Finally, Mr. Brooks, of Chesterfield, withdrew the name of Mr. Lovenstein, and the routed supporters of Taliaferro had time to re-form in battle array, though great excitement prevailed

at the time. So the tide of victory which was turning to Spindle was checked. There were so many changes, so much noise and confusion. that the exact vote on the fourth ballot could not be ascertained by the clerk, and the fifth ballot was ordered. It was expected that ferro and Spindle only, but Captain Kellam votes. When the last name on the House roll was called the old but bad and disorderly plan of changing votes was renewed. Numbers changed from Chamberlayne to Spindle and Taliaferro, and the caucus was fast approaching utter confusion, when it was agreed that a last ballot should be taken

The ballot resulted: FOR TALIAFERRO.—Senators Beazley, Blandlaughton, Daniel, Duffield, Elliott, Eubank, Gayle Claughton, Daniel, Duffield, Elliott, Eubank, Gayle Hariston, Lawson, Sinciair, Smith, Spitier, Tannel Wortham.

between Taliaferro and Spindle.

Wortham.

FOR SPINDLE.—Senators Cochran. Critcher, Dickenson. Eastham. Greever, Grimsley, Herndon, Hinton, Johnson, Marshall, Moffett, Newberry, Nunn, Penn, Quesenberry, Elemp, Terry, Ward,

Wood.

FOR SPINDLE.—Felegates Armstrong, Barbam,
Broaddus, Carpenter, Clay, Coleman, Cra'g, Crank,
Broaddus, Carpenter, Clay, Coleman, Cra'g, Crank,
Broaddus, Carpenter, Clay, Coleman, Cra'g, Crank,
Broaddus, Carpenter, Davidson, Davis, Dyer,
Edmunds, Fowler, Hale, Howard, Jackson, James,
Kindrick, Lampkin, Levell, Mathew, McCauli, Mc
Eiroy, Moncure, Naile, Page, Popham, Powell,
Robinett, Bonald, Scruggs, Sheff, y, J. W Smith,
W. T. Tallaferro, Terrell, Wallace, Walker, Watts,
and Witcher.

FOR TALIAFERRO.-Delegates Arthur, Bagwell FOR TALIAFERRO.—Delegates Arthur, Bagwell, Barnes, berry, Betts, Bogart, Brooks, J. A. Carter, Cecil, A. I. Ciarke, G. T. Clarke, Cogthill, R. H. Cox, Crump, Juan, Fiske, Flood, Fowle, Galnes, Gibson, Gliman, Gray, Greer, Hanger, Hoenniger, Hubard, Hudgla, Johnston, Jordan, Kellam, Kerrick, Lacy, Leech, Letcher, Lewis, McMullan, Morriss, Morris, Neely, Paul, Purcell, Sibert, Simpson, H. E. Smith, Sidney Smith, William Smith, Starke, Straver, Strother, Swann, W. B. Taliaferro, Wall, C. U. Williams, P. B. Williams, and Withers.

Mr. Talisferro lacked only a few votes of having a majority (70) of all the Conservative members of the General Assembly. These came to him speedily by those who changed from Spindle to him, and at 12:25 the caucus adjourned, the members being all tired, worn

All the Richmond members except Judge The southwestern members voted with

mond have swelled the river, and last night the water was considerably above the usual height,

for forty years, and to-night is the first time experience. He is a man of high character in fifty years that anybody has and fine business qualifications. THE NOMINEES. THE NORMERS.

The nominees for Auditor of Public Accounts. Second Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary of the Common wealth, Superintendent of Public Printing, Register of the Land Office and Superintendent of the Penitentary are the present incumbents. Mr. Taisipero is the only new officer; indeed, he is not new for he has been the de facto Storekeeper for a year. He (General Rogers) was the peer of the gentleman from Rockingham (Mr. Arm-

instion by visitors in the summer of 1847, and in May, 1848, the foundation was laid." would crush under its own weight;" danger of destruction by lightning; danger of toppling because the walls could

not be kept perpendicular;" " in case of fire white; coroner, 1 white, 1 colored; Board of Health, 1 white, 2 colored. the columns would melt and the structure fall with a great crash;" "expansion and contraction would soon wriggle it to pleces;" " most of the scientific men were opposed to his ideas," &c., &c. To increase the difficulties of the inventor, complaints were made to the city authorities against this building, and some of the tenants of neighboring bouses left them for fear of danger Equivalents for the tensile and crushing strength of cast-iron were then very imperfectly understood. Now they have been ascertained by tests to almost unerring ac curacy, and iron buildings and iron fronts

are looked on with great favor. The first manufactory of this kind in Richmond was established by Bowers, Snyder & Carter, in connection with their stove foundry, in 1854. Their first important job was the Ballard Hotel, of this city. The Asa Snyder & Co., and this past year gave employment to about one hundred and forty workmen. This is the only establishment here exclusively architectural. Joseph Hall & Co., William E. Tanner & Co., and W. B. Cook have added this department to their machinery business. It is probable that one hundred and sixty thousand dollars' worth of architectural iron-work was done in this

city in 1874-75. SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS. - Duerson's pellant, and continued till to-day. This nam Troupe, is in the city. case will occupy one hour, after which the case of Adams vs. Logan et als. will be

The motion in Stoops and wife us. Clendening's executor et als. was continued until next Tuesday.

CHANCERY COURT, TUESDAY - Judge Fitz. hugh presiding.—The fellowing cases were disposed of: Jones's executors vs. Jones. Decree con-

firming report of commissioner and approving of investment and the purchase of the property on the terms therein set forth. Sterling, &c., vs. Gale. Decree confirming report of commissioner and making a final disposition of the cause.

Charter's guardian, &c., vs. Charters, &c. Decree confirming report of commissioners and approving of the disposition made of the

Wintermute vs. Hines, &c. Decree confirming report of commissioner, and directing sale of the property in the proceedings mentioned if plaintiff's demand be not paid within thirty days from the date of the de-

Dugan, &c., vs. Owen, &c. Decree against defendant Owen for amount of plaintiffs'

McCarthy & Slater vs. Westerman's administrator, &c. Decree directing a deed to the purchaser when the purchase-money is fully Clendening's executor vs. Hoyer & Lud-

wig, &c. Decree in conformity with opinien of the court, appointing a receiver and prescribing his duties. Chandler's administrator vs. Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Com-

and making, by consent, a distribution of awaiting to be tried for stealing a watch from the fund on band. Wallace, &c., vs. Wallace, &c. Decree confirming report of commissioner and direct- berlake, and sentenced to the penitentiary

ing a sale of the property in the bill and proceedings mentioned. Davis vs. Morriss's executors, &c. Decree in conformity with the opinion of the court, overruling exceptions, confirming report of he might escape, he made a rope out of the commissioner except as in said decree is bed-tick which he had in his cell and prementioned, and settling the amount due by pared for another attempt to escape. He the estate of E. G. Morriss, deceased, to the

Hustings Court—Judge Guigon presiding. In the Hustings Court yesterday William of stealing a watch from Dr. Figgatt during Montague, charged with breaking in the house of William A. Voss and stealing a waten from Dr. Figgatt during gress. I have nothing to my against Mr. benitentlary for five years, making eight in Goode, and concede that he is a man of house of William A. Voss and stealing a penitentiary for five years, making eight in sum of money from under the bed, was tried, convicted, and sent to the penitentiary for taken out and turned over to the custody of

five years. Junius Thomas, charged with stealing a looking-glass and a lot of wearing apparel from Louis Spinner, was tried and acquitted. The court adjourned until this morning at

POLICE COURT, YESTERDAY. - George Miller was fined one dollar for being drunk. Charles A. Bauer was fined one dollar for

being drunk and disorderly. Alice Dabney (colored) was sent to jail for fifteen days for assaulting and beating Joe

Julia Jackson and Sidney Bell (colored) were fined two dollars each for fighting in the street. Fanny Pegram, who was arrested on the same charge, was dismissed. Frank Langus was fined one dollar for being drunk. BRIEFS .- The Circuit Court of Richmond

was not in session yesterday, Judge Wellford being out of the city. The door of Henry Boucher's cigar manu factory was found open Monday night by private watchman Jones A. Otey. Policeman Talman reported the fact to the First

statior-house.

The annual distribution of pocket-knives took place in the Senate Monday and yesterday. The House was several days ahead of the Senate in this respect. The House Committee on Privileges and Elections yesterday postponed the case of Dodson vs. Ruffin for a week to allow Ruffin

The bad weather increases the number of free-lodgers at the First station-house. The improvements to the United States court-room are nearly finished.

INSPECTOR APPOINTED .- Mr. R. A. Booker was yesterday reappointed by Governor Kemper inspector of tobacco for Randolph warehouse, Farmville. THE RIVER .- The heavy rains above Rich-

Montuary Report.—The following is the mortuary report for the week ending Saturday, December 4, 1875, compiled from sextone' returns received at the office of the Board of Health: Cause of Death: Abscess, I colored; anæmia, I white; annersm, I white; burns, I colored; congestion of lungs, I white; consumption, I white, I colored; diphtheria, I white; dropsy, I white; drowning, I white; fever (typholo), I white, I colored; heart-disease, I white; 2 colored; hemopy is, 3 colored; imperfect development, I white; infantile lockiew, I white, I colored; inflammation of brain, I white; marssmus, I colored; old IRON BUILDINGS—There History—Right for Mond Architecture in the first iron building in America was constructed. Twenty-seven years only have passed; and now we have complete blocks in consecutive order, stretching through entire streets of all our large cities. It is probable that not less than eighteen millions of capital are invested in this special industry in the United States, including beam-mills and galvanized-iron manufactories, and the product is not less than thirty-six millions of dollars annually.

James Bogardus has the credit of first reducing to a practicable system this great in-

dollars annually.

James Bogardus has the credit of first reducing to a practicable system this great into twenty, I white; twenty years to forty, 2 terest. "The idea of constructing a building entirely of east-iron, and of imitating in this material the usual ornamental forms of architecture, was first considered by him while travelling in Italy in 1840, and during white, I colored; eighty years to ninety, 2 white, 2 colored; married, 4 colored; widows by him this subsequent travels be developed his white, I colored; married, 4 colored; widows or, I white; widows, 2 white, 2 colored, but the first complete cust-iron structure of the first considered by him the first considered by him to the first considered by him to the first considered by him the first considered by him to the first considered by him to twenty, I white; twenty years to forty, 2 the first considered; the first considered by him the first considered; the his subsequent travels he developed his white, 9 colored; married, 2 colored. Wingfield sent the money, and it afterwards plans. The first complete cust-from structure ers, 1 white; widows, 2 white, 2 colored. Wingfield sent the money, and it afterwards receted in America was the manufactory of the inventor, on the corner of Centre and Duane streets, New York. A model of the building was placed on exhibition for examination by visitors in the summer of 1847. I colored; Hadison Ward, 2 white, 1 colored; Months of turned ont that the order was forged. Carter was arrested, examined by the Police Justice, and sent on to the grand jury. He was indicted, and yesterday tried, found in the summer of 1847. I colored; Hadison Ward, 2 white, 1 colored guilty, and sent to the penisentiary for two and in May, 1848, the foundation was laid." lored; Monroe Ward, 1 white, 1 colored; He was constantly annoyed by predictions of Clay Ward, 2 white, 2 colored; Jackson failure. The reasons assigned were: "It Ward, 2 white, 7 colored; almshouse, 1 white, 2 colored; penitentiary, 1 white. By whom Certifled : Regular practitioners, 12 white, 12 colored; irregular practitioners, 1

> COMPARATIVE WEEKLY MORTALITY. Dec. 6, Dec. 5, Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 1875. 1874. 1875. 1874. 1875. 1875. W. C. W. C. W. C. W. C. Total deaths... 13 10 12 7 7 18 15 15 Still-born...... 1 2 0 1 0 1 2 1 Whole number of deaths for the month of

> November, 94 - whites, 42; colored, 52. Mean temperature for the week ending November 27, 45 57; mean temperature for the week ending December 4, 39.57.
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> Amount of raiofall for the week ending November 27,0.30 inches; amount of rainfall for the week ending December 4, 0.02 inches, Population of the city estimated by school

census, 72,500-white, 41,400; colored, 31, Rate of mortality of whole population was 21.56 per 1,000 per annum; rate of mortality business is now conducted under the style of white population was 18.84 per 1,000 per annum; rate of mortality of colored population was 25.07 per 1,000 per annum.

> PERSONAL.—Rev. Dr. Edwards, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, left the city yesterday to spend a few days in Norfolk. He will return by next Sunday. Mr. Miles Cary, candidate for storekeeper

> of Virginia penitentiary, is not Mr. W. M. Cary, of the firm of Sublett & Cary. Mr. J. N. Conrad, of the Montgomery Messenger, has resigned his place as one o the committee-clerks of the House of Dele-

Mr. Calboun, manager of the Katie Put Mr. Thomas F. West, a promising lawyer of this city, left yesterday for the West and California on professional business.

He will be absent six weeks.

Captain John Henry Freeman, of the Old Sweet Springs, is in the city on a brief visit, Hon. George Rye, ex-State Treasurer, was at Ford's Hotel yesterday. Dr. McIutosb, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Southern

Baptist Convention, is in Virginia, and will visit Charlottesville, Staunton, Richmond, Petersburg, Norfolk, Fredericksburg, and Alexandria. His object is not to make collections. Colonel Bassett French, aid to Governor

Kemper, of Virginia, has addressed a com-munication to the school authorities throughout the State requesting that a collection be taken up in the public schools on January 19, the birthday of Robert E. Lee, for the benefit of the Lee Monument fund. Mr. Hiram W. Tyler, who was attacked

and wounded Saturday night, is still confined to his bed, but is improving. Mr. David C. Richardson, clerk of the Police Court, was detained from his post yesterday by the death of a near connexion.

Rev. J. L. M. Curry, D. D., of this city, writing from Venice to the Religious Herald, says: "The only paper south of New York that I have seen since leaving America is the Richmond Dispatch of the 10th of September, which, with its usual push, has pen-

etrated into Austria." SENT TO THE PENITENTIARY. - ANOTHER AT-TEMPT TO ESCAPE. - Mention was made in the Dispatch some days ago of a daring attempt of John W. Cline to break jail in this city. the county for the ensuing year: Thirtypany, &c. Decree confirming report in part Cline, it will be remembered, was in jail five cents per hundred dollars for county Dr. W. F. Figgatt. He had already been convicted of stealing a watch from Mr. Tim-

for three years. On Monday night, thinking that when the heavy irons with which he was manacled were removed in order to bring him to court was found out, however, and his plans frus-

trated. Yesterday morning he was carried up to the Hustings Court and tried for the offence all. After being sentenced he was at once Superintendent Strother.

THE RECORD .- The depositions in the contested-election case of Knight vs. Johnson, now in the bands of the printer, will make about three hundred pages, octavo size.

THE MONUMENTAL CHURCH FAIR .- The Monumental Church fair-room is quite an attractive place. The tables are neatly and tastefully arranged, and there is an abundant live who can carry it against Platt. If Mr. supply of all the delicacies of the season for Goode is taken away, Platt inevitably goes disner, supper, and lunch. The ladies also like to congress. Now, would the district have on hand many useful and fancy articles; like this? Would the State like it? Would and if the weather is favorable there is every indication that the fair will be a success. The proceeds will be devoted to paying for the repairs to their church edifice. The rooms are over Bargamin's store, on Main street near Ninth.

THE THEATRE.-There was no performance at the Theatre last night, owing to the failure of some of the performers to reach the city. The difficulties will all be removed to night, and Miss Kate Fisher will, Manager Powell says, certainly appear. A number of persons went there hoping to see Mazeppa, but they had to postpone that pleasure until to-night.

CUERENCY-DISTRIBUTION .-- Monday night the pay-car of the Cuesapeake and Ohio railroad left this city for Huntington. The paymaster will commence at Huntington and proceed in this direction, paying off the emopportunity to prove himself a citizen of ploye, at all the stations in cash. THE ELECTION CASES POSTPONES .- In the

Hustings Court yester lay the election cases of Mesers. James Macdougal and John Marx-bansen were called, and postponed until Friday, at which time all the witnesses are expected to be present. REPORTED SHOT .- A well-known young gentleman of this city was reported to have been accidentally shot by a friend night before last and seriously injured. The matter

THE CARCER SUIT. - Dr. A. G. Wollard, the The Cancer Surr.—Dr. A. G. Wollard, it ewell-known cancer-doctor, who lives in this city, is being sued in the Europit Court of Richmond for the recovery of five hundred dollars alleged to have been received by him for a case which he did not cure. Dr. Wollard gives a different version of it e case from that published a few days ago. The Doctor states that he was called to attend Mr. George J. Thomas (whose estate brings the suit), who was suffering from a cancer. Mr. Thomas paid Dr. Wollard five hundred dollars, and a written agreement was drawn up

THE CHESAPEARE AND ORIO RAILBOAD COM-MISSIONERS.—The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad commissioners, composed of Messrs. James Alfred Jones, J. S. Flournoy, Thomas Carter, A. B. Cochran, and R. H. Maury, representing the State of Virginia, and Messrs. Z. T. Ramedell and John Cunningham, of West Virginia, have been in session in this city for the past two days. They sit with closed doors.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION .- To-day in the Catholic Church is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a holiday of obligation, to be observed as Sunday. Masses and vespers will be as on Sunday. At half-past 10 o'clock solemn high mass will be celebrated at the cathedral.

Quiet. - Police matters were dull last night But few arrests were reported at the stationhouses, and with the exception of a quarrel at the corner of Thirteenth and Franklin streets the city was unusually quiet.

MANCHESTER NEWS.

SEVERE BUT JUST PUNISHMENT OF A CRIMI-NAL CHARGED WITH OBTAINING GOODS UNDER FALSE PRETENCES .- Thomas Jackson (colored), an old offender, was before the Mayor's Court yesterday to answer for four distinct charges of obtaining goods under false pretences. The first offence was for obtaining a watch and chain, valued at eighteen dollars, from Anthony Sharp (colored).
For this he was sentenced to receive fifteen ishes and to be confined in the chain-gang for three months.

The second offence was for obtaining the sum of two dollars from Eliza Morris. His Blood-Purifier. sentence in this case was five lashes and confinement in the chain gang for one month. The third offence was for obtaining four dollars from Frances Harris (colored). Ten lashes and two months' confidement in juli

was his sentence in this case. The fourth offence "against the pea and dignity of the Commonwealth" was for obtaining a watch valued at fifteen dollars from John Quarles (colored). This case was continued until this morning. That portion of the sentence in each of the cases that was tried that partakes of the lash was successfully carried out yesterday by the Chief of Police. Jackson had cluded the authoriies for some time, as two of the offences of which he was found guilty were committed in 1874.

ELECTION OF BANK OFFICERS .- At a meeting of the stockholders of the Manchester Bank held Monday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Socrates Brooks, E q.; Vice-President, Major B. H. Nash. Board of Directors: Messrs. E. W. Weisiger, A. Royall, W. E. Gary, C. W. Turner, A. Monteiro, C. C. McRae, H. J. Nunnally, Sr., H. J. Nunnally, Jr., W. H. Parrish, A. Cary Gibbs, F. G. Sampson, and T. B. Cersley. Mr. John Q. Winn was reelected eashier, and W. R. Flournoy receiver. As will be seen from the above, the number of the directory was increased from twelve to fourteen, the president and vice-president being ex officio mem-

bers thereof. COUNTY LEVY FOR THE ENSUING YEAR. The Board of Supervisors of Chesterfield county, which were in session yesterday, purposes, ten cents for county school-tax. and ten cents for district school purposes Adjourned.

FIRE AT POWHATAN COURTHOUSE.-The storehouse of Messrs. Cohen & Company at Powhatan Courthouse, with its stock of goods, valued at \$1,500, was totally destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The fire is supposed to have been accidental. No insur-

[Communicated.] Editors Dispatch : 1' e Hon: John Goode is urged for the United States Senate, especially by the district he represents in Concharacter and ability. But admitting that he would be under

other circumstances a good man in the Sen-

ate, is it wise to put him there now? If it be a mere question of service to the country, he is to the House, and can render as much service there as in the Senate. Indeed, many people think him better adapted to the House than the Senate. The district he represents is only second in importance to the metropolitan district. It is generally agreed that Mr. Goode is the only Conservacratic party like it?

When a district has been rescued from the Radicals, and a carpet-bagger expelled, should it be remitted to the curse merely to change a citizen, distinguished though be be, from one field of public setion to another It was gall and wormwood to the people of the Second Virginia district to have Platt in the House of Representatives. Do they want o swallow the bitter dose again?

Mr. Goode is a comparatively young man, and his present mission is to hold the field he has so gallantly won. His splendid victory of last fall amounts to nothing if, after winning the battle, he abandons the field to be enemy.

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avenue and Judah street.

A. B. DUESBERRY, H. C. C. R., 11 A. M., framed
shed, partition, and ice-box on Seventeenth between Franklin and Grace streets.

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